



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Raymond F. Cracauer  
Serial No.: 09/782,702  
Filed: 02/13/01  
Entitled: Nucleic Acid Synthesizers

Group No.: 1634  
Examiner: Betty Forman

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
MAILED NOVEMBER 10, 2003**

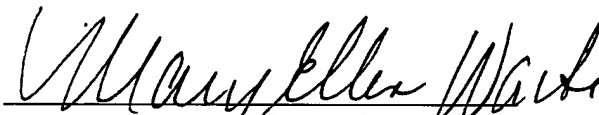
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Sir or Madam:

The following communication is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed 11/10/2003. This response is timely filed to provoke an Advisory Action. The applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks.



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Dated: January 12, 2004

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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Dated: January 12, 2004

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